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REMARKS

Applicant has carefully reviewed the Office Action dated May 10, 2004. Claims 1-42 are pending in the application. Applicant has amended Claims 1, 15, 18, 20, 21, 37 and 40 to more clearly point out the present inventive concept. Claims 13, 14, 19 and 22 have been canceled to further the prosecution of this application. Reconsideration and favorable action is respectfully requested.

Applicant has amended Claim1 to incorporate the limitations of objected-to Claims 13 and 14 and Claims 13 and 14 have been canceled. Claim 18 has been amended to incorporate the limitations of objected-to Claims 22 and intervening Claim 19 therein and Claims 19 and 22 have been canceled. Objected-to Claim 37 has been amended to incorporate the limitations of independent Claim 18, thus making Claim 37 an independent claim. Objected-to Claim 40 has been amended to incorporate the limitations of independent Claim 18, thus making Claim 40 an independent claim.

Applicant has now made an earnest attempt in order to place this case in condition for allowance. For the reasons stated above, Applicant respectfully requests full allowance of the claims as amended. Please charge any additional fees or deficiencies in fees or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 20-0780/PHLY-25,364 of HOWISON & ARNOTT, L.L.P.

Respectfully submitted.

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